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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Dieter Katzer

Application No.: 10/599,091

Confirmation No.: 3973

Filed: September 19, 2006

For: AERATOR OF A PLUMBING FIXTURE

Group: 3752

Examiner: Steven J. Ganey

FOLLOW UP REGARDING SUPPLEMENTAL OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The undersigned contacted the Examiner by telephone on December 9, 2009, to discuss the above-referenced application and the Office Action which issued on October 29, 2009. Prior to the issuance of the October 29, 2009 Office Action, Applicant had submitted a Request for Continued Examination on October 21, 2009, along with a Reply which was to be considered in connection with the Request for Continued Examination. Based on the December 9, 2009 telephone conference with the Examiner, the October 21, 2009 Reply was not considered in connection with the RCE. The Examiner indicated that in view of this, the October 29, 2009 Office Action would be withdrawn and that a Supplemental Office Action would be issued. Applicant still

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awaits the Supplemental Office Action which considers the October 21, 2009 Reply that was submitted along with the Request for Continued Examination.

Respectfully submitted,

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